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#### MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers National Dredging Meetings, 7-9 June 2005, Washington, DC

- 1. There will be three meetings conducted during 7-9 June 2005 in Washington, D.C., concerning navigation and dredging related issues.
- a. On Tuesday, 7 June 2005, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Navigation Business Line managers from HQ and each Regional Business Center will meet at HQUSACE, 441 G Street NW, Washington, D.C., in Room, 3J86 (Civil Works Conference Room), from 1000-1500 hours.
- b. On Wednesday, 8 June 2005, beginning at 0800 hours, the Corps, dredging industry, ports, stakeholders and maritime union representatives will meet at the Hyatt Regency Washington (on Capitol Hill), 400 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001, phone: (202) 737-1234. There will be a \$10.00 registration fee associated with this meeting.
- c. On Thursday, 9 June 2005, beginning at 0830 hours, the Industry/Corps Hopper Dredge Management Group (ICHDMG) will meet at the Hyatt Regency Washington.
- 2. The Dredging Contractors of America have arranged for these meeting facilities; however, due to the demand for hotel rooms at this time of year, no sleeping room accommodations have been made at the Hyatt Regency Washington. Each participant will need to make his or her own arrangements for these meetings. The hotel is within walking distance of the Union Station Metro Station.
- 3. Enclosed is a tentative agenda for the 8 June 2005 meeting. Each MSC will be allotted approximately 15 minutes for your representative to present your Regional Business Center's current and future state of your navigation program and no more than three issues of interest. Please provide the name of your representative who will represent your RBC. A final agenda will be furnished at the meeting. We encourage appropriate representatives from your regional business centers, district support teams, and communities of practice to attend this meeting.
- 4. The names of your representatives attending the meeting may be addressed to Mr. Art Hurme, HQUSACE Operations Community of Practice, CECW-CO, at telephone (202) 761-0523, fax (202) 761-1685, or e-mail <a href="mark.hurme@usace.army.mil">arthur.k.hurme@usace.army.mil</a>. For administrative issues and support, you may contact Ms. Margaret Murnane, Administrative Officer, HQUSACE Operations Community of Practice, CECW-CO, at telephone (202) 761-4688, fax (202) 761-5096, or email <a href="margaret.m.murnane@usace.army.mil">margaret.m.murnane@usace.army.mil</a>.

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U. S. Army Corps of Engineers National Dredging Meeting Hyatt Regency Washington
400 New Jersey Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001 June 8, 2005

#### DRAFT AGENDA

# Registration 7:30 - 8:00 am

# Morning Session 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Welcoming Remarks & Opening Comments, Navigation Business Program Manager, HQUSACE Stakeholders' greetings – DCA, AGC, Ports, Unions

Navigation Performance Measures and Budget Formulation - HQUSACE

Workshop summary, ideas, results

Budget issues in FY05 & FY06

Congressional oversight of program accounts

Dredging Data – sources, updates, responsibilities (DIS, OMBIL, CCA)

You and the Corps – Regional Integration Teams (RITs) and Communities of Practice (CoPs) USACE Regional Business Center presentations

Northwestern Division
South Pacific Division

Pacific Ocean Division Southwestern Division

South Atlantic Division North Atlantic Division Lakes & Rivers Division Mississippi Valley Division

#### Break 10:00 - 10:30 am

Contracting Officer's Issues

## Dredging 101

Overdepth & overdredging

Advance maintenance

Environmental documentation (P+S) & coordination (EPA)

Bid estimating - contingencies, availability, hard materials, record keeping

Bed levelers – describing the activity vs. using the tool

Windows – update on sea turtle initiatives

**Continuing Contracts** 

# Lunch 12:00 - 1:30 pm

# Afternoon Session 1:30 - 4:00 pm

Corps and Industry Response to Emergencies – USAED, South Atlantic and Dredging Contractors of America

After Action Review

Hopper Dredge Report & Minimum Fleet

Corps Dredging Program

Fiscal Year 2004 Program Execution

Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Program Plan - Regional Business Center representatives

Dredging Operations Environmental Research Program – USAERDC

Doing Business with Safety - HQUSACE Safety Office

New Safety Community of Practice (CoP), Process for waivers and interpretations, Safety manual issues (hand rails, deck coatings)

Open Forum – All

Adjourn 4:00 pm

# Reception 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Dredging Contractors of America sponsored Congressional Reception, Rayburn House Office Building

# Acknowledgements

Thank you for participating at the 2005 National Dredging Meeting. The staff at HQUSACE may be contacted for any navigation or dredging related issues.

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